UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT DISTRICT OF SOUTH CAROLINA ROCK HILL DIVISION

| Eric David Jeter, #50260 |) |
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| formerly #288299, |) |
| |) C/A No. 0:07-00857-GRA-BM |
| Plaintiff, |) |
| |) |
| VS. |) <u>ORDER</u> |
| |) Written Opinion |
| Major James E. Harris, Director Lexington |) |
| County Detention Center; Captain Ronald |) |
| O'Neill, Jail Administrator Lexington |) |
| County Detention Center; Captain J. B. Quig | ,) |
| Captain Medical Services Lexington County |) |
| Detention Center; Lt. Kevin Jones, Shift |) |
| Supervisor Lexington County Detention |) |
| Center; Sgt. Randall Pfannenstiel, |) |
| Classification Supervisor, Lexington County |) |
| Detention Center; John W. Tate, General |) |
| Counsel Lexington County Detention Center; |) |
| Nurse Kristin Marzol, Prison Health Service |) |
| Inc., Lexington County Detention Center; |) |
| Head Nurse Tonia Stevens, Director, Head |) |
| Nurse Prison Health Services Inc., Lexington |) |
| County Detention Center; Officer |) |
| Aeschbacher, Lexington County Detention |) |
| Center; Lexington County Family Court |) |
| Judge K. Allen; and Lexington County |) |
| Department of Social Services, |) |
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| Defendants. |) |
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This matter comes before the Court for review of the magistrate's Report and Recommendation made in accordance with 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1)(B) and Local Rule 73.02(B)(2)(d), D.S.C., and filed on May 15, 2007. Plaintiff filed this action on March 30, 2007 pursuant to 42 U.S.C. § 1983. The magistrate recommends dismissing

Defendants Lexington County Department of Social Services and Lexington County Family Court Judge K. Allen as party Defendants.

Plaintiff brings this claim *pro se*. This Court is required to construe *pro se* pleadings liberally. Such pleadings are held to a less stringent standard than those drafted by attorneys. *Gordon v. Leeke*, 574 F.2d 1147, 1151 (4th Cir. 1978). This Court is charged with liberally construing a pleading filed by a *pro se* litigant to allow for the development of a potentially meritorious claim. *Boag v. MacDougall*, 454 U.S. 364, 365 (1982).

The magistrate makes only a recommendation to this Court. The recommendation has no presumptive weight, and the responsibility to make a final determination remains with this Court. *Mathews v. Weber*, 423 U.S. 261, 270-71 (1976). This Court is charged with making a *de novo* determination of those portions of the Report and Recommendation to which specific objection is made, and this Court may "accept, reject, or modify, in whole or in part, the findings or recommendations made by the magistrate." 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1). This Court may also "receive further evidence or recommit the matter to the magistrate with instructions." *Id.* In the absence of specific objections to the Report and Recommendation, this Court is not required to give any explanation for adopting the recommendation. *Camby v. Davis*, 718 F.2d 198 (4th. Cir. 1983). Plaintiff has filed no objections.

After a review of the record, this Court finds that the magistrate's Report and Recommendation accurately summarizes this case and the applicable law.

Accordingly, the Report and Recommendation is accepted and adopted in its entirety.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that this case be DISMISSED as to Defendants

Lexington County Department of Social Services and Lexington County Family Court

Judge K. Allen *without* prejudice and without issuance and service of process for these

Defendants.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

G. ROSS ANDERSON, JR. United States District Judge

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June <u>19</u>, 2007

Anderson, South Carolina

NOTICE OF RIGHT TO APPEAL

Plaintiff has the right to appeal this Order within thirty (30) days from the date of the entry of this Order, pursuant to Rules 3 and 4 of the Federal Rules of Appellate Procedure. Failure to meet this deadline, as modified by Rule 4 of the Federal Rules of Appellate Procedure, will waive the right to appeal.